

ABSTRACT

An illumination device that includes at least two concentrically mounted cylinders. Mounted within the narrower cylinder is at least one light source. The cylinders are mounted such that at least one of the cylinders may be selectively rotated, by a user, about the common axis of concentricity relative to the other cylinder. Each of the cylinders further includes sections which extend along the long axis thereof, at least one of which is completely opaque and at least one of which is either semi-translucent, completely translucent, or entirely transparent. The sections of various opacities are sufficiently and appropriately sized such that, by corresponding alignments thereof, by the selective relative rotation of the cylinders, the light source within the nested cylinders may alternatively provide illumination, or be effectively covered without requiring the active turning on or off of the light source.